

BRITISH PRESS HAILS WILSON AS SPOKESMAN FOR THE ALLIES

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"Head and Shoulders Above Others," Declares Manchester Guardian.

LONDON, Feb. 12.—President Wilson stands head and shoulders above all others as the spokesman of the Allied peoples, in the opinion of the Manchester Guardian, mainly because he is able to keep firmly and consistently in view the reasons why America came into the war.

The newspaper contrasts the President's address to Congress with the official report on the outcome of the recent session of the Supreme War Council at Versailles and instances the various times in which Mr. Wilson has come forward to remedy "our shortcomings, take up dropped stitches and repair all too palpable lapses of our own and Allied diplomacy," and has done it with conspicuous and admirable effect.

President Wilson, says the Guardian, finds himself in substantial agreement with Count Czernin, the Austro-Hungarian Foreign Minister, but the President's criticism of Count von Hertling, the German Imperial Chancellor, "frank as it is penetrating, leaves him in no doubt as to the attitude of the United States toward the methods he represents and the war aims he has fathered."

If anything is needed to emphasize the diplomatic wisdom of President Wilson's speech, the Daily News says, it would be supplied by a contrast between the principles laid down in Washington and the principles laid down in Versailles. It adds:

"From the bankrupt state of the Allied conference has emerged what is in effect a reassertion of the knock-out blow doctrine. No declaration of war aims is formulated; no distinction between the speeches of von Hertling and Czernin is recognized."

"The keynote of the President's speech is the policy of the open door, peace is waiting as soon as the Central Powers are ready. Count von Hertling having balked at the President's fourteen definite proposals, Mr. Wilson goes back to first principles and substitutes four fundamental propositions which the Chancellor can repudiate only at the cost of writing himself down a brigand. The door still stands open."

"We are accustomed to look to Washington alone for any constructive contribution to the diplomacy of the Alliance. Monday's address to Congress will do much to confirm this habit."

PARIS, Feb. 12.—In the opinion of the press, the statement has been cleared by President Wilson's remarks in his address to Congress concerning the German military autonomy, taken in conjunction with the recent statement of Emperor William that Germany's enemies must recognize her as a victorious nation.

The Emperor's utterances are accepted as expressing the real sentiments of the dominant class in Germany, and the conclusion is drawn that there must be implacable warfare until German militarism is finally defeated.

"President Wilson's address implies war to the hilt and to an end that is still far from view," says Figaro.

"The war will be ended either according to the views of Emperor William, by unanimous submission to Germany, or by the wrecking of German militarism."

L'Humanité Libre says: "Emperor William admits the possibility of peace only after complete victory of the Germans. President Wilson admits this possibility only after the defeat of the German Army."

1. 5. May Take Over Property of Big Wrecking Company.

All the equipment of the Merritt & Chapman Derrick and Wrecking Company may be commandeered by the government. The company has three steamers, the Relief, Resolute and Rescue.

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PRESIDENT OPENS CONFERENCES TO SPEED WAR BILLS

Senate to Be Spurred to Action on Empowering and Railroad Measures.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 12.—President Wilson to-day sought again to whip up his Congress, now suffering from "spring halt."

Embarking upon his new programme to confer regularly with members of the House and Senate on legislation, the President was confronted with a difficult task. The Senate particularly is apparently at a standstill, holding up needed war measures while its members devote hours to desultory debate on "things in general."

It is to bring the Senate out of its lethargy that the President is trying—beginning to-day—to instill new vigor into the legislative body. He will continue his conferences throughout this session of Congress, it is stated.

Now he is particularly anxious to get action on the railroad and empowering bills. At the same time the demands of labor are stirring Administration leaders and others to move along the price-fixing measure.

"A knock-out blow to the retail profiteers" is the way Representative Haugen, Iowa, characterized this bill, to be introduced in the House next week. The bill does more than fix retail prices, but its main purpose is to stop retail profiteering.

Details of the measure will be kept secret until its introduction. Herbert Hoover's picture of the great need of food among the Allies has spurred the House Agricultural Committee to speedy action on the Food Administration's compulsory wheatless and meatless days bill.

BRITISH TO PROSECUTE COLONEL REPPINGTON

Proceedings Against Military Writer Under Defense of the Realm Act.

LONDON, Feb. 12.—Andrew Bonar Law, Chancellor of the Exchequer, announced to-day in the House of Commons that action would be taken under the Defense of the Realm Act against Col. Reppington, the military correspondent of the Morning Post, for an article which appeared in the Post on Monday.

The article complained of was submitted to the censor, who refused his permission to publish it. The article afterward was published in a different form without being submitted to the censor. It purported to reveal conclusions reached at Inter-Allied War Conference.

Mr. Bonar Law announced that action would also be taken against the editor of the Morning Post.

Lieut. Col. Charles A. Court Reppington, resigned from Lord Northcliffe's London Times on Jan. 21, after fifteen years' service on that paper as military correspondent, and joined the staff of the Morning Post. In explanation of his resignation Col. Reppington said the Government had lost the confidence not only of labor but of the great majority of the people.

The editor of the Morning Post, against whom Chancellor Bonar Law announced action also would be taken, is H. A. Gwynne.

VOCATIONAL COURSES FREE TO THOSE WITHIN DRAFT AGE

Invitations to Register for Educational Training Are Sent to 43,000 Men.

At the office of the Mayor's Committee on National Defense in the Hall of Records it was learned to-day that vocational education will be offered free to those within the draft age.

This was decided after a conference between Arthur S. Somers, President of the Board of Education; Gustave Straubmuller, Acting Superintendent of Schools; and Henry E. Jenkins, Superintendent in charge of evening schools.

A group of courses have been formulated to fit eligible students to fill specialized jobs when they are called to the colors.

As a result of a survey made of questionnaire and classification sheets in this city by school teachers under the direction of Charles J. Fluckett, Principal of the Vocational School and the Harlem Evening School, invitations to register for the courses already have been mailed to 43,000 men. Twenty-five hundred have responded by registering for the courses, and before the courses start it is expected that three times that many will have enrolled.

Though the precise curriculum has not yet been fully worked out, courses in woodworking, in the metal trades, gas engines, automobile trades, welding, and leather work will be given. A student will be permitted to register only for one course, which will be given either on Monday and Wednesday evenings, or on Tuesday and Thursday evenings.

Fear Drifting Lightship Has Sunk With Six Men.

BOSTON, Feb. 12.—Lighthouse service officers to-day expressed fear that the Cross Rip Lightship, which broke away from its anchorage in Nantucket Sound on Feb. 1, had gone down with all hands. There were six men aboard.

Naval tags will abandon the search to-morrow.

U. S. FOOD WILL WIN WAR, AVERS BRITISH OFFICIAL

"America, Our Noble Ally, Equal to Emergency," Declares Sir William Goode.

LONDON, Feb. 12.—Sir William Goode, who since the entry of the United States into the war has occupied the important post of liaison officer between the British Food Ministry and the United States Food Administration, discussed the present food situation in an address to-day to the London Rotary Club.

"Few people," said Sir William, "have yet grasped the fundamental fact that Great Britain still relies on the United States and Canada for 65 per cent of her essential food stuffs. Unless we can get this food, or nearly all of it, we shall peter out. As to how we get it, the popular idea seems to be that the United States is an up-to-date combination of miracle loaves and fishes."

"What I want you to realize is the amazing way in which the energies and sentiments of the American people have been harnessed to a great national movement of organized sacrifice, so that the Allies can have food enough to carry on."

"The cynic will tell you that it is ridiculous to imagine that the American people, living in the midst of plenty, will make such sacrifices as these for the sake of their Allies thousands of miles away. The cynic will relegate President Wilson and Herbert C. Hoover to the category of well-meaning idealists. But these voluntary measures can be tested by results."

"Early last month we received from Mr. Hoover a cablegram saying he found that as a result of the American conservation campaign, he had 150,000,000 pounds of bacon and 25,000,000 pounds of frozen meat more than the British representatives in the United States had estimated as likely to be available. His offer was so unexpected that we had to hustle to get the finance and shipping for this windfall. Later on it turned out that the amount of frozen meat available was thousands of tons above the Hoover estimate. Except for the holding up shipping in American ports due to congestion on the railways and blizzards our bacon and meat shortage would long since have been eased by these shipments, which represent only a small percentage of the total sacrifices of the American people."

"It is lucky for us that a man like Mr. Hoover is at the helm of the allied food supply and that behind him is a people willing to deny themselves so that we may live to fight."

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Machine Gunners Getting Range As German Airplane Approaches



Machine gunners in an advanced trench aiming an anti-aircraft gun when a hostile aviator is observed headed toward them. The man in the foreground is adjusting the instrument which gives the range for the anti-aircraft rifle.

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VON HERTLING WILL REPLY TO WILSON IN SPEECH TUESDAY

Washington Expects Peace Moves After Defeat of Next German Drive.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 12.—After the failure of the next German military drive there will be important developments as a result of President Wilson's latest address to Congress, according to the prediction to-day of high officials.

The view of these men is that the President shows to the world, including the Teutonic nations, that this country means to win the war and will win it, while pointing the way to the Central Governments to follow the wishes of their people for peace.

That President Wilson's speech has made a deep impression in Berlin was proved to-day by receipt of a cablegram from London, quoting the Amsterdam correspondent of the Exchange Telegraph Company as declaring that Count von Hertling, the Imperial German Chancellor, who was bitterly criticised in Mr. Wilson's address, will reply to the American President in the Reichstag next Tuesday.

GARFIELD SETS UP HEATLESS CURFEW FOR AMUSEMENTS

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other religious, educational or social organizations to consolidate their activities.

"All inside and outside lighting and all heating not covered by specific order to be reduced to the minimum, so that more drastic orders may not be necessary."

"Factories should arrange their hours to save daylight and relieve the peak load."

"Salaries and wages should not be reduced on account of these orders and recommendations."

THINKS PRIORITY LIST MEETS SITUATION HERE.

In his advice to State Administrators, accompanying these recommendations, Dr. Garfield said: "In general we do not believe in needless irritation of the public, and you should consider whether the advantage to be gained will be more than offset by the damage and inconvenience."

Dr. Garfield, Chairman of the Fuel Conservation Committee, was asked if the local Fuel Administration would adopt Dr. Garfield's "maximum."

"I do not think, in the event of a revocation of the Monday closing order, that we will do more than follow the law of priorities established by the War Relocation Order of Jan. 17 and continue the lightless nights. But, if a late winter cold wave or a heavy snowstorm should come the situation would be changed and cause further temporary restrictions along the lines indicated by Dr. Garfield's latest communication."

Clark, who is forty-seven years old, was not accepted because of his age.

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